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JUDGE WILLIAMS' EL RENO SPEECH.

"Our Bob" Oklahoma's Next Governor, Neither an Administration Nor Anti-Administration Candidate.

El Reno, Okla., Dec. 11, 1913.

Judge Williams, in an address before the Democratic Club here Sunday, having reiterated the statement heretofore made that he was going to be a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor and that in due course of time he would make his formal announcement as contemplated by the primary election laws of the State, said:

"I shall be neither an administration nor an anti-administration candidate, but hope to be a candidate of a harmonious, united, militant, aggressive, honest, faithful and efficient Democratic party. The executive department consists of several branches and harmony does not appear to exist between some of its departments. No harmony existed between the legislature and the chief executive. Harmony between some of the executive departments and some of the other departments does not appear to exist. This is to be sincerely regretted. Very little profit can be derived by threshing over who was right or wrong or why one failed or the other fell, or the other succeeded. To the future with a firm and determined purpose and resolution we must look. Whatever errors have been committed must be corrected and whatever wrongs have been done must be righted. A strong constructive government must be administered that the people may have theirs, to wit: the best government that it is possible for competent, efficient, honest and economical officials to give them.

"My candidacy shall be without entanglements or political alliances with any of the special interests of the country. Nor shall I wage a campaign of hate and discrimination but with a view of giving to the people of the State a constructive administration of law with the least reasonable burden upon her tax-payers and with a view that prosperity may come to her citizenship and the best development of her resources.

"Any person who is holding or who has held an office under any administration in this State, appointive or otherwise, whose record shows that he has not been honest, efficient and faithful to the people of the commonwealth, will not be considered by me as eligible for appointment to office. On the contrary, if his record shows that he has been true and faithful, honest and efficient, such record is not a bar to his eligibility, but a recommendation as to his qualifications. However, I want it distinctly understood that I am not favorable to a policy that would continue one administration by another. That of itself creates undue apprehension of the building up of a machine and for that reason it should be the policy of an incoming administration to bring in as much new blood as is possible without destroying the efficiency of the public service.

DIRECTOR'S MEETING.

O'Brien Re-elected Sec'y-Treasurer-Manager of Durant Ice and Light Company.

The directors of the Durant Ice and Light Co. held their annual meeting at the offices of the company, on Main street, Wednesday of last week, the following directors being present: J. R. Cullinane of St. Louis, P. H. Tobin of Denison, G. L. Blackford of Denison, Horace Marshall of Durant and B. S. Ingram of Durant.

The directors decided to expend the sum of \$25,000 on a new plant for the generation of current, which is described in another part of this paper. Next year a duplicate of the new plant will be installed, when the old plant, which will be used for reserve, the coming year, will be entirely abandoned.

The directors decided to do away with the use of hot plugs for electric irons in residences, which have been operated at a flat rate of 50 cents a month, and decided to put all hot plugs on the meter, which is now being done.

W. J. O'Brien was re-elected secretary-treasurer-manager for the ensuing year. No dividends were declared, as all earnings will be used for better equipment.

ADA RATES LOWERED.

The Daily Oklahoman printed the following:

A rate for telephone service that will yield the company furnishing the service 10.19 per cent on its investment in a local exchange is reasonable and right, according to an order issued by the corporation commission Thursday afternoon, carrying into effect a new schedule of rates, which the pioneer Telephone and Telegraph company will be required to charge in the future in the city of Ada.

The new rates are, business special line, \$2 per month; business extension, \$1 per month; business private branch exchange sets, \$1 per month; residence, special line, \$1 residence, two party line 75 cents per month, and residence extensions, 50 cents per month. This carries into effect a general reduction of approximately 25 per cent below the rates now charged by the company. The order is effective January 1, 1914.

The company has invested in its properties at Ada approximately \$63,869.13. Under the present rate it has a net operating income of \$7,806.64 per annum, which is 12.2 per cent of its total investment, according to the commission.

It is thought by many people that the Durant situation is about like that of Ada, and that the commission will likewise order a reduction in Durant rates.

ELIMINATE FARE PENALTY.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Dec. 11.—An order has been issued by the corporation commission canceling its former order permitting railroad companies to charge a fare penalty where railroad fare is paid aboard trains in Oklahoma. The companies are permitted by order to charge 10c extra fare when train payments are made, but are also required to give the passenger a slip showing such payment, which may be cashed at any ticket office for the face value. The order is effective Dec. 20.

NORMAL NOTES.

(By M. M. Wickham.)

Now that Southeastern has closed its most successful season in football, having won the State championship among the normals, attention is being turned by faculty and students to the organization of literary societies, debating and dramatic clubs this week.

Prof. P. E. Laird, head of the department of Physics and Chemistry, and athletic director for Southeastern, has been the recipient of numerous letters of commendation from athletic circles over the State upon the brilliant close of the athletic season here. Prof. Laird says that undoubtedly the team of 1913 is the best in the history of the institution.

Not only has the school, but Durant as a city, been advertised by Laird's lads this year. Next year, Manager W. T. Dodson states, the team will play across the whole State, thus putting Durant on the map as she has never been before.

Miss Alice McKinney, head of the department of Piano, has just recently received a mahogany table, sheet music cabinet, and two upholstered chairs, which add much to the appearance and efficiency of the studio.

Prof. and Mrs. A. V. Hamilton entertained a number of friends during the holidays in honor of Miss Claudia Covington of Coalgate, Okla.

For the past three weeks the Faculty Pedagogical club has been taking under consideration the status of "English" in our schools. The subject is of most timely interest, and the inquiry and presentation is being conducted under the direction of Prof. A. Linscheid, head of the department of English in the normal.

Prof. Linscheid's method has been to canvas the entire faculty from kindergarten up to normal-college professor with a questionnaire, from which he has drawn first-hand facts with which to work upon, making an analysis of the contributory factors to "bad English," and the best means of inculcating the habit of "good oral and written English." With Prof. Linscheid and the faculty President Murchaugh is co-operating most heartily, being himself distinguished for his scholarly researches in English and its literature.

Dean Faulkner of the training school recently addressed the teachers and citizens at Howe, and Wilburton, where he reports excellent audiences, and much interest in the work of Southeastern. A number enrolled for correspondence courses with the normal.

Prof. M. M. Wickham, head of the department of Biology, has just been appointed a member of the State Biological Survey, by the Oklahoma Academy of Science, of which he is a charter member.

D. E. Ottinger was a recent visitor at the normal. He presented the department of Biology with 4 different kinds of wood which he has collected in Southeastern Oklahoma.

The head of the department will have these arranged in a labelled display to which the donor promises to add from time to time. Mr. Ottinger was a former student of the normal, and the collection will be known as "The D. E. Ottinger Collection of Oklahoma Woods."

Miss Hallie McKinney, head of the department of Domestic Science and Arts, has just received three new Singer sewing machines, which add greatly to the capacity of the sewing classes.

The Republican club was organized last week as follows: M. U. Lively, president; G. I. Hitchcock, vice-president; Mae Piper, secretary; Grace

Wasson, treasurer; Prof. M. M. Wickham, press correspondent; Elizabeth Dean, assistant press correspondent; Miss Grace McIntosh of the training school, and Prof. A. Linscheid, head of the English department, as sponsors. The membership of the club is as follows: Misses Pearl Arnold, Bertha Cresswell, Lucile Adams, Leila Hampton, Lois Sharpless, Elizabeth Dean, Grace Wasson, Mae Piper, Grace McIntosh and Miss Gabriel; Messrs. Clarence Cradap, Erskine Fontaine, Howard Jarrell, Hollis Hampton, Cooper Schuler, G. I. Hitchcock, M. U. Lively, Professors A. Linscheid, J. C. M. Krumpton, P. E. Laird and M. M. Wickham. The club meets monthly.

The Young Women's Christian Association of the normal is a growing organization and promises to be a very influential factor in the school. The officers are: Lydia Collins, president; Fannie Nelson, vice-president; Lois Jarrell, secretary; and Nelle Haynes, treasurer. The aim for this year is twofold. First, to heighten the normal standing of the school; second, to forward a social and friendly spirit among the girls of the school; third, to learn to change the life from a self-centered to a God-centered life. They meet every Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. The program consists of Bible and missionary study, practical talks and discussions, and literary work in general.

The third year class met for temporary organization last Saturday. Miss Mabelle Poole was elected temporary chairman, and Anna Paulin temporary secretary. Miss Poole appointed committees looking to permanent organization this week. The class sponsors are: Mrs. Hattie Rainey of the training school, and M. M. Wickham of the department of Biology.

The second shipment of library books has arrived, and Miss Haydee Ritchey, the librarian, is busy cataloging them, prior to placement on the shelves.

A number of the teachers report double efficiency in their classes since the installation of the library.

There is no doubt but that as the library grows, and as the students acquire the library habit of investigation, that the scholarship of the normal will decidedly rise.

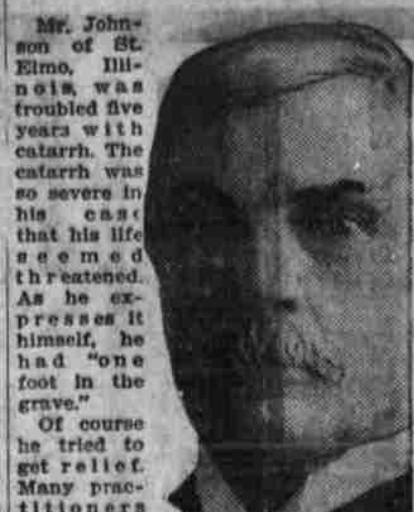
Prof. A. Linscheid of the English department, addressed the teachers at Ardmore last week.

Miss Mary B. Sanders of the training school, has been requested to address the primary section of the teachers association, which meets in Tulsa during the coming holidays on Primary Methods.

AFTER BIG GAMES.

The Southeastern Normal football aggregation is preparing a schedule for 1914 that will tax them to the limit. Manager Dodson sent out letters asking for games with the Texas A. & M., Austin College, T. C. U., all of Texas, and the Oklahoma University, A. & M. of Oklahoma, and Edmund Normal. The local team this year was easily in these teams' class, and by next year it is thought that they will "clean up" everything but the university, and it would not surprise the knowers one if she did not have her feathers pulled. Of course, we will have our usual games with Ada and Talequah, but the team is going after the bigger teams next year. The only reason we did not get them this year was the fact that they did not

HAD CATARRH FIVE YEARS.



MR. S. S. JOHNSON
St. Elmo, Illinois.

Mr. Johnson of St. Elmo, Illinois, was troubled five years with catarrh. The catarrh was so severe in his case that his life seemed threatened. As he expresses it himself, he had "one foot in the grave."

Of course he tried to get relief. Many practitioners were consulted and a catarrh specialist in St. Louis was tried. He got so weak and thoroughly run down that he declares he could not walk more than a hundred yards without resting.

Few people understand that catarrh is a constant drain on the system. The discharge of mucus which is going on in such cases is largely composed of blood serum, and is a great waste. Sooner or later it will weaken the strongest man.

According to reports received from Mr. Johnson, he was in a desperate condition, but he found relief from his trouble. We will let him say how he found it. His own words say:

"My friends told me to take Peruna, and I did so. I now feel that Peruna has saved my life. It is the best medicine on earth, and I would not be without it."

This seems almost too good to be true. No doubt there are some readers that will think so. The above statements, however, can be verified by writing Mr. Johnson.

Every home should be provided with the last edition of "The Ills of Life," sent free by the Peruna Co., Columbus, Ohio.

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think we were in their class, but after the great showing made, it was conceded that Southeastern outranked either Austin college or T. C. U., and could easily be classed alongside the A. & M. teams of either Texas or Oklahoma.—Democrat.

USED WOODEN LEG FOR WEAPON.

Jesse Biggers, a negro of Colbert, was brought to Durant Monday and placed in the county jail charged with assault to kill. The charge was filed in the justice court of Colbert and a hearing will be had at Colbert Tuesday afternoon.

Biggers is charged with assaulting a white man, Oscar Askew. The two men became involved in a difficulty over some money, and the negro, who is crippled, walks with an artificial limb, and taking the member off, he proceeded to give Askew a severe drubbing with it, with the result that Askew was forced to have the attentions of a physician, but while he was considerably bruised, it is not thought that he is seriously hurt.

A SUBURBAN HOME TO TRADE.

We have a nice suburban home 33 acres, one mile west of Durant, to trade for improved or raw land anywhere in Bryan County.

It has a four-room house on a high point overlooking the city and a creek cuts one corner of land. Would make a nice truck or dairy farm. Has fine shale on it for making brick. What have you to trade?

POWERS & LORGE,
Durant, Okla. (Adv.)

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